

THE GAZETTE.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 13.

GAMSTER OF THE OLDEN TIME.

[From the Washington Star.]
The "Life and Adventures of Robert Bailey" is a somewhat rare book, published at Richmond in 1823, and sold to subscribers from the hand of its author.

Bailey was the greatest gambler of his period, and was in the height of his fame during the administrations of Washington, Jefferson and Madison. He was a son of an Irishman and his mother a Quaker. Born in Chester Valley, Pa., his father wasted a considerable fortune at cards. Then entering the patriot army at the battle of Cowpens. The impoverished widow loaded her goods upon a cart, and with her brood of children followed after on foot to Calpeper county, Va., where she kept a tavern and afterwards a school, and finally married again. The second husband undertook to chastise young Bailey, but received a dreadful flogging. This happened at the Seneca stone quarries, in Maryland. Afterwards young Bailey married a tavern-keeper's widow, and showed considerable genius for trading in horses, liquors, negroes, and merchandise. Without education, he had still a powerful will and violent temper, and his prowess made him audacious and feared. In those days the Virginia Springs were full of fair dealers and Bailey was the principle gambler at the Sweet Springs, afterwards keeping the hotel there. In the height of his fame he had a large boarding house at Berkeley Springs, and a city hotel at Washington called the Bell Inn, kept in six of Daniel Carroll's houses. At this time, as for fourteen years, he was the dupe of a Winchester widow, named Ann Turnbull, and although his relations were notorious and open with this creature, the Chief Justice and the Supreme Bench boarded with him, and even advanced him hundreds of dollars at times, on account of board. Again he had a magnificent establishment at Georgetown, and rented the Union Hotel. He was twice put in prison as a debtor, and each time escaped, once advertising a reward for the marshal of the District. Ringgold, who had placarded him. On another occasion he visited President Jefferson in the White House, at the request of Commodore Barney and Congressman Dawson, and when the secretary, Col. Cole, sent an usher to tell him that he must retire, he waylaid the marshal in the street and gave him a dreadful flogging, for which, after a tedious prosecution, he was fined only \$10 and costs. He kept some of the fastest horses in the country, and ran at Annapolis, Richmond, Petersburg, Winchester, Lexington, Lynchburg, Port Tobacco, and other places. He drove either four or six horses to a grand chaise, with out riders, and men in livery, and his own hair was superbly powdered, while he carried a gold-headed cane. On such tours he stopped at the prominent places and opened a game. He says that his earnings amounted to half a million dollars in years. On one occasion, when the ladies at the Sweet Springs refused to dance with him, he bought the negro violinist and stopped the music in the height of the season. He went abroad to dispose of some mountain land, and becoming short of funds, ran in with some English noblemen, who died freely, and he bet £50,000. Losing, he threw himself on their generosity, and they raised him a purse. Again, in France magnificent luck followed him, and he returned to the United States rich. He then loaded a ship with merchandise and went into business at New Orleans, where a disagreement with his d-d-y made him low spirited and he lost his luck.

In the latter part of Bailey's life, when he was struggling most earnestly to amend his evil courses and thrive by legitimate business, he fell into the hands of buffets, and was hunted from jail to jail for trivial debts until he lost the use of his limbs by wearing manacles and by rheumatism. Then, wretched, pursued and despairing, he went into a meeting-house at the town of Bath, where he had once been a great favorite, and endeavored to address his ignorant soul to the contemplation of heaven. The constables suddenly rushed in upon his meditations, and he was dragged again to jail. Finally, released from Hagerstown prison by the intervention of the celebrated Ohio Williams he had no resort but to indite his memoirs and peddle the same from horse race to horse race. His book closes at this period, and although sometimes vulgar, it is so free and unreserved in its developments that we may doubt whether any gambler ever lived who described himself so fully. To the student of early social times this is an invaluable book, giving the depths and heights of a gambler's fate. On one occasion Bailey was convicted at Staunton for keeping a faro table, and under the laws, as then enacted, was adjudged to be sold as a slave. He libeled the judge, St. George Tucker, and was cited before a committee of the Virginia Legislature.



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First: The large, well built and convenient three-story BRICK DWELLING, known as No. 77 Washington street, situated on the east side of said street, between Queen and Princess. This house is supplied with all the modern conveniences, including gas and water, a first-rate kitchen range, a steam heating apparatus of Gould's patent, &c., &c. The lot on which it stands fronts 100 feet on Washington street, and runs through the square to St. Asaph street, and contains about 38,000 square feet, or nearly one acre of land, and is in beautiful order. It contains a variety of choice fruit trees—pear, apple, quince and cherry, a fine English walnut tree in full bearing, a good collection of small fruits, strawberries, raspberries, currants and gooseberries, good asparagus beds, and a large number of fine trees and shrubs and other shrubs and plants, more desirable than a residence than this is not to be found in the city.

Second: A two-story RESIDENCE, front building frame and back building brick, on the east side of St. Asaph street, between King and Prince, with suitable out buildings, on lot fronting 40 feet on St. Asaph street and running back 100 feet to a depth of 92 feet.

Third: A LOT on the west side of Washington street, between Duke and Wolfe, fronting 75 feet 5 inches on Washington street and running back 113 feet to an alley 11 feet wide. There is a large FRAME TENEMENT on the lot, containing 100 feet on St. Asaph street and running back 33 inches on the east side of Water street and running through the square to Union street, of uniform width, and of a depth of 201 feet.

Sixth: A WATER LOT at the northeast corner of Union and Queen streets, fronting 67 feet 10 inches on Union street and running into the Potomac river of the same width to the Port Warden's line, having the advantage of dock room of 33 feet, being the north half of Queen street. Sold subject to an improvement lease to T. J. McHardy.

Seventh: A LOT situated on the east side of Union street, between Prince and Duke, fronting 30 feet on Union street and running of that width into the Potomac. This lot has a wharf front of 38 feet, and has on it two large and commodious WAREHOUSES—one fronting on the Strand, now occupied by B. H. Lambert, and one on Union street, occupied by R. M. Lawson.

Eighth: A LOT OF GROUND near the Stone Bridge, on the south side of Duke street, having a front on said street of 476 feet, and running back to the Potomac river and Frederick building Railroad, containing about 33 acres. This lot contains a never failing spring of good water, and is bounded by the west bank of Holl's run, with the privilege of using its water. The terminus of the Street Railway is on it, and property, and it is susceptible of division into building lots, which would be very desirable for mechanics and others wishing to make homes for themselves.

Ninth: A TRACT OF LAND in Alexandria county, near to but outside of the city limits, containing 13 or 14 acres. The east line of this tract lies on the Potomac river, and runs along the canal, and the Alexandria and Washington Railroad and turnpike bind it on the west. This tract being in one compact body, offers singular advantages for a large manufacturing establishment, and being beyond the city limits it is exempt from city taxation. It is believed that there is a very large quantity of excellent clay for making bricks in this land, and the railroad and canal on either side of it would offer a cheap and easy means of conveying them to a market.

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For further information apply to either of the Executors, ELISHA J. MILLER, Alexandria, Virginia.

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FOR RENT—THE HOUSE No. 96 King street, now occupied by S. Lindheimer. Possession given on the 1st day of July, 1874. Apply to LOUIS APPIOH, No. 175 King st. my 4-601f

FOR RENT—HOUSE No. 60, south St. Asaph street, containing 8 rooms, will be rented to a good tenant on moderate terms.

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FOR RENT—THE DWELLING HOUSE No. 53 north Royal street, at present occupied by Captain Chapman. It is in good order, and supplied with water and gas. Possession given April 20th. Apply to SAMUEL H. LUNT, ap 13-601f

FOR RENT—HOUSE, on Payne street, between Duke and Prince; 11 rooms, water and gas; now occupied by Mr. Lanten. Possession given on the 15th day of March. For further particulars enquire of SAMUEL H. LUNT, mh 4 N. E. cor. King and Washington sts.

FOR RENT—THE DWELLING on the corner of Duke and Fairfax streets, formerly occupied by Dr. Murphy. Apply to K. BELL, Jr. feb 2-11

FOR RENT—THE STORE AND DWELLING HOUSE 125 King street, now occupied by Mrs. C. L. Simpson. Possession given on the 1st of January, 1874. For further information enquire of JNO. B. SMOOT. dec 5-11

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P. G. UHLER, Clerk.

NOTICE—The undersigned having qualified as Executors of the will of R. H. MILLER, hereby give notice to all persons indebted to his estate to make payment to them, and to all persons having claims against his estate to present the same, duly proved, for settlement.